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RESOLUTION No. _____**

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_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



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Whereas, Katie Hall was born Katie Beatrice Green on April 3rd, 1938, in Mound Bayou, Mississippi;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall's commitment to civil rights, justice and opportunity for all people developed throughout her formative years as she earned a Bachelor of Science at Mississippi Valley State University and a Master of Science from Indiana University;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall served with distinction in the Indiana House of Representatives from 1974 until 1976;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall also served as an accomplished and valued member of the Indiana Senate from 1976 until 1982;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall became the first African-American member of Congress from Indiana when she won a special election to fill the vacancy created when Congressman Adam Benjamin passed away in September of 1982;



Whereas, Congresswoman Hall led the effort to make the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday a national holiday through her leadership and sponsorship of that historic bill which was signed into law by President Reagan on November 12th, 1983;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall returned to serve her beloved Gary, Indiana when she became the Vice Chair of the Gary Housing Board of Commissioners;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall continued her dedicated public service to her community when she served as Gary City Clerk from 1985 until 1993;

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall was called to her heavenly home on February 20th, 2012, after a lifetime of dedicated service that continues to provide inspiration to not only African-Americans, but to all Hoosiers and fellow Americans; and,

Whereas, Congresswoman Hall's place in Indiana and United States history will be written in indelible ink due to her wealth of accomplishments never to be forgotten by those who loved her or future generations who will benefit from her great wisdom and leadership: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives honors the
2 life and achievements of former United States Representative Katie
3 Hall, commemorates her tremendous devotion to her constituents, her
4 community, her state and her country, and extends to her family the
5 sincere condolences of its members.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Congresswoman
8 Hall's family.

